

Vehicle Parking Questions & Answers

Q. Is there any City ordinance that regulates where I can park my cars, trucks, RVs and boats?

A. Yes. To help preserve neighborhoods, maintain visibility for drivers, and maintain pedestrian safety, the City does regulate where oversized vehicles may be parked.

Q. Can I park my car, truck or Recreational Vehicle on the street in front of my house?

A. You may park any motorized vehicle on the street as long as it is less than 20 feet long, for up to 72 hours. If your vehicle is longer than 20 feet, you may park in the street to load and unload for short periods of time, but overnight parking is prohibited.

Q. Can I park any of my vehicles in my driveway?

A. You may park any motorized vehicle in your driveway, as long as it is less than 25 feet long. By driveway, we mean the permanently surfaced area leading directly to the garage or carport, or the permanently surfaced area which is next to or extends the existing driveway. You may not park any vehicle in or on your front yard.

Q. If my vehicle is too long to park on the street or in my driveway; where else can I park it?

A. You may park it in your garage, or in your side yard or rear yard. If you park it in your side or rear yard, it must be blocked from public view by a five-foot (or higher) fence, wall or hedge, must be at least three feet from the property line and at least five feet from any open window. Please note, however, disabled, dismantled, wrecked, or inoperable vehicles are only allowed on your property if they are stored completely within an enclosed building. Some residents choose to rent storage space or other facilities for their inoperable vehicles.

Q. Where can I park my tent trailer, boat trailer, utility trailer, or my horse trailer?

A. Non-motorized vehicles, such as trailers, may not be parked on residential streets or in driveways, at any time, unless they are hooked up to a motorized vehicle, and they are still subject to other restrictions such as the 72-hour on-street parking limit. Please park them in your garage or in your side or rear yard. They must be blocked from public view by a five-foot (or higher) fence, wall or hedge. For information on permitted fence heights and locations, call Planning at 510-494-4440.